

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A biaxial actuator for an optical pickup, comprising:

a lens holder having an objective lens, a tracking coil and a focusing coil; and

a base member on which the lens holder is placed in such a way as to be able to displace in a focusing direction and in a tracking direction, the base member having bend-formed rising pieces each having a magnet opposed to the focusing coil;

wherein the lens holder is controlled in such a way as to displace in the focusing direction and in the tracking direction; and

strength of the base member is enhanced by widening each of the rising pieces, which extends from a top end to a bend-formed portion provided at a root thereof, so that width of each of the rising pieces increases toward the root over whole height thereof;

wherein each of the rising pieces having an attaching division, to which the magnet is attached, and a lower division, the attaching division having a size nearly equal to the size of the magnet and the lower division being wider than the attaching division.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): A biaxial actuator for an optical pickup, comprising:

a lens holder having an objective lens, a tracking coil and a focusing coil; and

a base member on which the lens holder is placed in such a way as to be able to displace in a focusing direction and in a tracking direction, the base member having bend-formed rising pieces each having a magnet opposed to the focusing coil;

wherein the lens holder is controlled in such a way as to displace in the focusing direction and in the tracking direction; and

strength of the base member is enhanced by widening a bend-formed portion provided at a root of each of the rising pieces in such a way as to be wider than width of any other part of the rising piece;

wherein each of the rising pieces having an attaching division, to which the magnet is attached, and a lower division, the attaching division having a size nearly equal to the size of the magnet and the lower division being wider than the attaching division.

Claim 3 (Original): The biaxial actuator for an optical pickup according to claim 2, wherein width of a widened portion of each of the rising pieces increases toward the bend-formed portion provided at the root of the rising piece.

Claim 4 (Cancelled).

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): An optical pickup comprising:

a lens holder having an objective lens, a tracking coil and a focusing coil; and

a base member on which the lens holder is placed in such a way as to be able to displace in a focusing direction and in a tracking direction, the base member having bend-formed rising pieces each having a magnet opposed to the focusing coil;

wherein the lens holder is controlled in such a way as to displace in the focusing direction and in the tracking direction; and

strength of the base member is enhanced by widening a bend-formed portion provided at a root of each of the rising pieces in such a way as to be wider than width of any other part of the rising piece;

wherein each of the rising pieces having an attaching division, to which the magnet is attached, and a lower division, the attaching division having a size nearly equal to the size of the magnet and the lower division being wider than the attaching division.